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## (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Los Angeles – DEA-led Task Force Targets Drug Trafficking and Mexican Cartels

(U) Fifteen people were arrested on 28 July throughout the Puget Sound region and in California following an 18-month investigation of a drug trafficking organization tied to the Cartel Jalisco New Generation (CJNG) in Mexico, announced US Attorney Brian T. Moran. During the investigation over 100-pounds of methamphetamine and 10-pounds of heroin were seized.

SOURCE: 28 Jul 2020, Q13 Fox

## (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

# (U) Mexico - Cartel Jalisco New Generation Operator Detained in Mexico

(U) Los Tuxtlas – The Government of Mexico Civil Force captured Gonzalo Raúl "N", a CJNG operator supplying weapons in the southern region of Vera Cruz. Gonzalo Raúl "N" is considered a small arms supplier and was detained with illicit drugs and firearms, during a joint operation carried out by the SEDENA (Mexican Army), SEMAR (Mexican Navy), and the newly formed National Guard. SOURCE: 27 July 2020, Imagen del Golfo

# (U) Mexico - Cartel Leader "El Mencho" Builds Private Hospital in Jalisco

(U) Mexico City – a CJNG leader–Nemesio Oseguera Cervantes—the region's main criminal threat after he allegedly attempted to murder Mexico City's police chief has allegedly bankrolled the construction of a hospital in El Alcíhuatl, a village about 250 kilometers south-west of Jalisco's capital, Guadalajara. El Mencho's decision to build his own hospital reportedly stems from his reluctance to venture out of his network of rural hideouts—of which El Alcíhuatl is supposedly one—to seek treatment for kidney disease. SOURCE: 28 July 2020, The Guardian

### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Minnesota – White Supremacist Attempting to Incite Violence at George Floyd Protests

(U) Minneapolis – Police have identified "Umbrella Man" as a white supremacist and Hell's Angels Outlaw Motorcycle Gang member who attended the protests in an effort to escalate racial tensions. After smashing the windows at an Autozone, it was set on fire. Those actions "set off a chain reaction" that lead to dayslong looting and rioting that caused about \$500 million in damages, police said. Two people died during the riots. He's also associated with the Aryan Cowboy Brotherhood, a small white supremacist prison and street gang based in Minnesota and Kentucky, according to the local paper. He's also been connected to an incident in Stillwater, Minnesota, where a Muslim woman was confronted by a group of men wearing white supremacist garb. He has not yet been charged with a crime. SOURCE: 28 July 2020, INSIDER

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#### (U) Oregon – Man Facing Charges After Allegedly Posting Personal Details About Federal Agents

(U) Portland – Robert Bernard Hickey, 44, was arrested by agents from Homeland Security Investigations and US Customs and Border Protection on 24 July. Hickey is facing charges for "harassing and stalking

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federal employees assigned to assist the Federal Protective Service with ongoing civil unrest in Portland." The Canadian national used his Twitter account, @TawasiSoce, to "knowingly release personal information of these employees in an attempt to threaten, intimidate, or incite violence against them," according to authorities.

SOURCE: 28 July 2020, Newsweek

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

# (U) Canada – Minor Pleads Guilty to Terror Charges

(U) Ontario – A teenager arrested last year has pleaded guilty to a series of terrorism-related charges for trying to encourage and facilitate a bomb attack. The 17-year-old admitted to the four charges, plus another for violating his bail conditions on 28 July. The youth sent instructions on how to build a pressure-cooker bomb to what he thought was a US "lone wolf" Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) supporter. He also encouraged him to build it and plant it in a public place, such as a bar, to kill "infidels," according to the statement of facts, saying such an attack would help ISIS.

SOURCE: 28 July 2020, CP24

## (U) Iraq – ISIS Attack Kills Two Iraqi Military Officers

(U) Anbar – ISIS has claimed responsibility for the killing of a top Iraqi army commander in Anbar province, west of Baghdad in an "ambush" on 28 July. In a statement published on ISIS' Telegram propaganda channel, the extremist group claimed its militants "killed General Brigadier Ahmed al-Lami, commander of 7th division of the 29th brigade of the Iraqi Army in an ambush in Anbar." The statement also claimed that another officer was killed in the ambush which also injured an Iraqi soldier. Yehia Rasool, spokesperson for the Iraqi commander-in-chief released a statement early 29 July confirming the deaths.

SOURCE: 29 July 2020, Rudaw

# (U) Mexico – Head of Mexico City Police Confirms CJNG Attempted to Assassinate Him

(U) Mexico City – The Secretary of Security of Mexico City, Omar García Harfuch, reiterated that the CJNG is responsible for the attack against him, that occurred on 26 June. In a press conference, the secretary explained that the people who participated in the attack have already been identified, "including the subject who helped organize the attack, as well as those who ordered it." SOURCE: 28 July 2020, Animal Politico

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